# Virginia Green Visitor Center Profile:





# Martinsville-Henry County Visitor Center Martinsville

"The state-certified Martinsville-Henry County Visitor Center is a one-stop option for both travelers and local residents who are seeking tourist information for the immediate area, as well as the entire state. Here, you will find excellent customer service for any request including: maps, travel guides, lodging, restaurant menus, weather conditions, newcomer information, walking trails, fishing information, and so much more!"

**Green Statement:** "Martinsville-Henry County, Virginia, is known for our beautiful natural resources such as Philpott Lake, the Smith River, and the numerous trails along the Smith River Trail System. By going green we are doing our part to protect these amazing recreational resources."

## **GREEN ACTIVITIES**

- Recycling and Waste Reduction. Virginia Green facilities must recycle Glass Bottles and are highly encouraged to maintain a comprehensive recycling program. This facility pledges that they:
  - Offer the opportunity for guests to recycle: office paper
  - Recycle: office paper, printer/toner cartridges, cardboard, packing supplies
- Minimization of Disposables. Participants are encouraged to minimize use of all disposables. This facility pledges that they:
  - Do not use any disposable containers
- Solid Waste Reduction. The facility must have a plan for actively working to reduce its solid waste generation. This facility pledges that they:

  \*Restrooms\*\*
  - Use bulk soap dispensers in public restrooms

# Office

- Make double-sided copies/ printed materials
- Use electronic correspondence and forms when possible

#### Buildings and Grounds

Minimize the use of pesticides and herbicides in landscaping



Water Conservation. The facility must have a plan for conserving water that should consider plumbing modifications and landscaping. This facility pledges that they:

\*\*Activities indoors\*\*

Perform preventative maintenance to stop drips and leaks

#### Activities outdoors

- Have an effective landscape management plan that utilizes minimizes lawn areas

☑ Energy Conservation. The facility must have a plan in place that encourages replacement of lighting and equipment to energy-efficient alternatives. This facility pledges that they:

Heating and cooling

Perform preventative maintenance on HVAC system

### Lighting

Use natural lighting

# Appliances and electronic devices

 Use ENERGY STAR qualified office equipment (computers, monitors, copiers, printers, etc.)



Support Virginia Green. Pledge to promote the efforts of Virginia Green to clients, members and staff and encourage them to join or do business with Virginia Green participants. This facility pledges that they:

- Use a separate display area to feature Virginia Green businesses

For more information on Martinsville-Henry County Visitor Center, see <a href="www.VisitMartinsville.com">www.VisitMartinsville.com</a> or contact Jennifer Doss at <a href="jdoss@YesMartinsville.com">jdoss@YesMartinsville.com</a> or (276) 403-5949.

**Virginia Green** is the Commonwealth of Virginia's campaign to promote environmentally-friendly practices in all aspects of Virginia's tourism industry. **Virginia Green Visitor and Welcome Centers** have been thoughtfully planned and designed to minimize their impacts on the environment. This attraction has met the established "core activities" for **Green Visitor and Welcome Centers** and has committed to communicate its activities to its guests.

For more information on *Virginia Green* program, see <u>www.deq.virginia.gov/p2/virginiagreen</u> or www.virginiagreentravel.org.



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